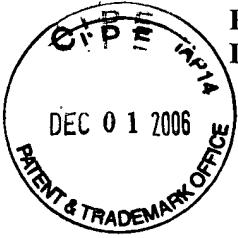


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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed on June 1, 2006 in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before December 1, 2006. A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 in payment of the petition fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(2) is enclosed.

Although no additional fees are believed to be due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 22058-544).

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